

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

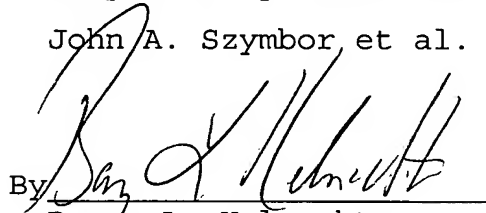
By the present amendment, Appellants have cancelled claims 22 and 23 and will file a divisional application containing same so as to gain an early allowance of these claims.

Claims 1-21, 24 - 30, and 32 - 42 are believed to be allowable for the reasons set forth in the Appeal Brief filed concurrently herewith.

No fee is believed to be due as a result of this amendment. Should the Commissioner determine that a fee is due, he is hereby authorized to charge said fee to Deposit Account No. 21-0279.

Respectfully submitted,

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